

Deaths

Kimberly Ann Batty

Kimberly Ann Batty, 58, a Colby native, died Wednesday, Nov. 7, 2012, at her home in Crossville, Tenn.

She was born to Robert and Alma Fitzhugh on April 28, 1954, in Colby. She was the first member of her family to attend college, graduating with a degree in nursing from the University of Kansas, and later worked in hospital recovery rooms, and later, outpatient clinics.

After marrying Larry Batty, she left nursing to raise two sons, who both attended Blue Valley North High School. She was active at the school, coaching academic teams and running for a seat on the Blue Valley School Board. She was proud of the success of her sons, both graduates of Ivy League uni-

versities.

An avid horseback rider, who moved to Tennessee to ride more, she also enjoyed golf and country music. She loved being fashionable, and had color-coordinated glasses and cowboy hats for each outfit.



Kim Batty

She is survived by her sons, Travis (Jasmine Mitchell) Batty and Turner (Christine) Batty, both of New York.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 15, 2012, at the Maple Hill Funeral Home, 3300 Shawnee Dr. in Kansas City, Kan.

Visitation will begin at noon Thursday.

Donations may be made to the Resolution Project at www.resolutionproject.org.

Program to kick off 'red' season

"The Holidays" officially start in seven days!

The holiday season starts with Thanksgiving and ends with New Year's Day. If it's almost holiday season, that means it's time for "Harvest of Holidays," a program full of fun ideas put on by the Family and Consumer Science Extension agents in the northwest area.

We invite everyone to come and help us celebrate our 10th annual program, from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 27, at the 4-H Building on West Olive Street in Colby, at the entrance to the Thomas County fairgrounds. Our theme is "Simply RED." Join us for some yummy red snacks and a three-part program. A \$5 fee will help cover costs of food and materials for this make-and-take event. The three programs are:

- "Red" - In the pageant of foods, red velvet and other "reds" takes the crown. We will be sharing with you "red" desserts sweet as can be, and other "red" foods full of color and flavor, showing off a harmony of tastes that will tickle everyone, well, pink, a very crimson pink. By Jen Schoenfeld, Julianne Shoup and Diann Gerstner.
- "Feeling Blue, Think Red" - Holiday decorating got you feeling blue? Then check out these



Diann Gerstner

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rosy ideas to make the season come alive. You will learn a little history on the Christmas color red and how to create the season in your home using the many shades of this hue. By Amy Lorenzen.

• "Here's Your Sign - and a Lot More." Do your family members or friends need a "sign"? Then we have the session for you. Whether you need a low-cost, unique and personal wall decoration or a fantastic one-of-a-kind gift, we have the ideas for you. Come join us and make something to take home. Includes Christmas gifts that the whole family can work on together and afford to make. By Melinda Daily.

A bonus this year is that we are combining with the second annual fund raiser by the Women of K-State for Genesis-Thomas County food bank, from 5 to 9 p.m. that night at the 4-H Building. It'll be open an hour before and after the Harvest of Holidays to give you time to take in both events.

Over the past several years,

Brewster Happenings

Congratulations to the Brewster High scholar's bowl team, which took second place this week at Golden Plains. Kathy Bannister is the sponsor.

The Brewster United Methodist Church held its annual turkey dinner Wednesday at the church. Everyone enjoyed the meal and visiting with friends.

The BETA Women's Club and Brewster School put on a wonderful tribute to area veterans on Thursday. Area veterans were recognized as well as those currently serving. Rook Shaw, a Brewster junior and Reserve Officers Training Corps member, lead everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Will Allen, a senior, read an essay he wrote in honor of his great-uncle. Junior and senior high band and vocal students, as well as elementary vocal students, all directed by Alice Collett, performed. Mary Schmidt's third and fourth graders presented each veteran with cards they had made.

Brewster was a busy place on Saturday as many gathered at the Senior Center for breakfast to support the library and museum. Despite the wind and nasty weather, friends enjoyed homemade soup and visiting at the Lutheran Church for lunch. The Craft Peddler had their Christmas Open House and the school held a Junior High Tournament. Noticed a

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Angie Moore

Brewster Correspondent

few hunters out and about, too.

Make plans to attend the annual fall play at the school this weekend. "The Ransom of Miss Elverna Dower" by Laurie Bryant will be performed at 7 p.m. Saturday and 3 p.m. Sunday. The sophomore class will be serving dinner beginning at 5:30 Saturday. For tickets, contact any sophomore or Michele Werth. Tickets are needed for the dinner only, not the play. E-mail to angiem@st-tel.net.

Genesis has seen an increase in clientele, serving 82 new families so far this year. To help meet this need, we ask everyone to bring non-perishable food items for Genesis and Food for Kids. The food collected for kids at this event will be placed in food boxes distributed by the Colby Schools for students who need meals during the Christmas break. These need to be individually packaged, nonperishable and ready to eat. Suggestions include beef jerky, fruit cups, granola bars and juice boxes.

Another part to the fund raiser is shopping. There will be six ven-

dors with unique items to help you find just the right gift for those on your Christmas list. Vendors include Sally's Unique Boutique, Nana's Comfort Foods, Papa's Sports Collectibles, TK Designs, Gift Baskets by Deb and Sentsy. A part of all sales will go to Genesis.

So I hope you will mark your calendars and join us for shopping, donating and fun ideas for holiday foods and decorations. If you have any questions, call me at 460-4582 or one of the K-State women at 462-6281.

Diann Gerstner is the family and consumer sciences agent for the Thomas County Extension office.

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**Senator**  
**Ralph Ostmeyer,**  
Kansas 40th District

Pol. Adv. paid for by Ostmeyer for Senate, Lori Edwards, Treasurer

Stephanie Fromholtz Bowers

A funeral mass for Stephanie Fromholtz Bowers, 53, a Colby homemaker, who died Thursday, Nov. 1, 2012, will be at 11 a.m.

Saturday, Nov. 24, 2012, at Sacred Heart Church in Colby, with burial in the Sacred Heart Cemetery.

Viola I. Jones

Viola I. Jones, 93, Colby, died Saturday, Nov. 10, 2012, at her home.

She was born Nov. 22, 1918, to James Harrison and Lula L. (Boatman) Lambert in Graham County. She was preceded in death by her husband, William Jones, in 1995.

She is survived by a sister, Mary Lou Bell, Centennial, Colo., and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday, Nov. 16, 2012, at Kersensbrock Funeral Chapel with the Rev. Carol Rahn officiating. Visitation will be from 2 to 8 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home with burial in the Beulah Cemetery.

The family suggests memorials to Hospice Services for Thomas County in care of the funeral home, 745 S. Country Club Dr., Colby, Kan., 67701.

Richard Allen Schoepner

Richard Allen Schoepner, 63, Goodland, died Sunday, Nov. 11, 2012, at his home after a long fight with cancer.

He was born on Aug. 10, 1949, to Clarence and Clara (Huber) Schoepner. He attended Goodland schools and enjoyed participating in athletics. A standout in football, he played at Kansas State Teachers College, now Emporia State University.

After college, he joined his father in the family Culligan Soft Water business. He was president of Schoepner's Water Conditioning Inc., serving towns in north-west Kansas and eastern Colorado. He also farmed with his father for many years.

On July 26, 1969, he married Diane Stone in Haysville. An avid sports fan, he was an official for basketball and football games for 27 years. He also enjoyed playing golf, camping and boating with his family.

He was a member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church in Goodland, the Knights of Columbus and the Tootsie Rollers Klown Club. He a member of the Goodland Kiwanis Club and Elks Lodge and a board member for Developmental Services of North-

west Kansas.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Judy Schoepner; his father-in-law, James Stone; and a brother-in-law, Steve Patterson.

He is survived by his wife, of the home; two sons, Jason (Jessica) Schoepner, Omaha, and Ryan (Sarah) Schoepner, Goodland; two daughters, Kendra (Derek) Aspegren, Omaha, and Kyla (Loren) Sheldon, Goodland; three brothers, Harold Schoepner, Atchison; John Schoepner, Clay Center; and Andy Schoepner, Goodland; four sisters, Phyllis Gertge, Fort Morgan, Colo.; Irene Light, Cambridge, Neb.; Joan Charles, Leadville, Colo.; and Cathy Esquibel, Topeka; and eight grandchildren.

Visitation was to be this afternoon at the church, followed by a vigil and rosary at 8:30 p.m. (Central Time) at the church. Mass of Christian burial will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 15, 2012, at the church.

The family suggests memorials to Developmental Services or the church, which may be left at the church or mailed to the Koons Funeral Home, 211 N. Main, Goodland, Kan., 67735.

Rodney R. McFee

Rodney R. McFee, 80, Colby, died Saturday, Nov. 3, 2012, at Hays Medical Center. A memorial

service will be held at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 17, 2012, at the Atwood United Methodist Church.

Thanks to everyone who remembered my 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday with cards, calls and emails.

Maxine Nelson

**Thank You**

We wish to thank everyone for making our 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary such a happy, fun time.

Your cards, wishes and attendance made it very special.

A special thanks to our family and friends who planned such a wonderful party.

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